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1. Koch & Sterzel AG, the Dresden electrical apparatus firm, has been engaged since late 1947 in the production, under Soviet direction, of concussion testing equipment ("Stossprüfgeräte"), allegedly for the splitting of atoms. The equipment consists of a number of large transformers which generate a total of three million volts. The equipment was to be ready by May or June 1948, and was to be sent to Niederwartha for testing before being dispatched to the USSR.
2. Koch & Sterzel also produces transformers for currents up to 31,500 volts. Thirty transformers could be manufactured or repaired every month, but the shortage of metal, which is imported from the western zones, causes the output to stand at only six or eight transformers per month.
3. [redacted] existence in the Koch & Sterzel factory of a technical and designing office (KTB 21) in which only Russians are employed.

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